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the property tax levy necessary for its operation to those new areas, as well within the metropolitan class city. Finally, it extends board membership, set at five members, not just to residents of the metropolitan class city, but also to any residents of the area served by the authority. The mechanism for appointment of board members, by the mayor of the...with approval of city, remains the same. That simply gives the metropolitan class city some authority to go beyond the city of Omaha. They could go into Papillion. They could go into Bellevue, their taxing authority. But it would have to get the consent of the city council in both our cities, Senator Thompson. That's simply what the bill does. It's simply permissive legislation. I'd be glad to answer any questions.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. You've heard the opening on advancement of LB 720. (Visitor introduced.) On with discussion of the advancement of LB 720. Senator Hartnett, doesn't appear to be any discussion. You're recognized to close, if you care to.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Madam President (sic), would just ask for the advancement of the bill. I will have a bill...have an amendment on Select File to allow this area outside the city to have some representation. And we'll work out the mechanism at that time. But at this time, I'd ask for the advancement of LB 720.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. You've heard the closing on the advancement of LB 720. The question before the body is, should LB 720 be advanced to E & R Initial? All in favor of the motion vote aye, opposed nay. The question before the body is advancement of LB 720 to E & R Initial. Have you all voted who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 720.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 720 does advance. Mr. Clerk, next agenda item.

CLERK LB 721, by the Urban Affairs Committee. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 22, referred to the Urban